

A RESOLUTION to honor John M. Jones upon receipt of the
Robert C. Austin Distinguished Service to the
Community Award.

WHEREAS, it is not often that a community is blessed with a truly dedicated humanitarian such as Mr. John M. Jones; who as a businessman, agriculturist, public servant, and exemplary citizen has touched the lives of many with his incredible spirit and helped better his community and the state of Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, for many years Mr. Jones has played a leading role in the civic and community life of Greeneville, Greene County, and East Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, this noble Tennessean is a native of Sweetwater, Tennessee, and the town of Greeneville was truly blessed when Mr. Jones moved there soon after World War II; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Jones is widely recognized for his illustrious business career and his renowned success in the newspaper publishing industry, including being the esteemed publisher of the Greeneville Sun; and

WHEREAS, lauded for his numerous projects, which have brought jobs and prestige to the Greeneville area, Mr. Jones has contributed significantly to improving the quality of life in his respected community; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Jones has always placed a high value on community service and has spent much of his time serving valiantly with the Greene County Foundation and the Greeneville/Greene County Area Chamber of Commerce, where he served as President; and

WHEREAS, for helping to better his community and this state through unyielding dedication to the causes that enrich all our lives, Mr. Jones was recently honored with the bestowal of the Robert C. Austin Distinguished Service to the Community Award; and

WHEREAS, in addition to this reputable award, Mr. Jones has been recognized with numerous other commendations including the 1983 University of Tennessee Gamma Sigma Delta Distinguished Service to Agriculture Award, the Greeneville Exchange Club Book of Golden Deeds Award, and the Dr. L. E. Coolidge Award for Humanitarian Service; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting that this Assembly should provide special recognition to this fine gentleman who has given much of his life to public service to better his community and the state he dearly loves; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, That we hereby salute Mr. John M. Jones for his unflagging commitment and outstanding work as a community servant, and we congratulate him on his most recent distinction as recipient of the Robert C. Austin Distinguished Service to the Community Award.

BE IT ALSO RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation to Mr. Jones with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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